

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Applicant: **Thomas Ruehle et al.**
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PRODUCTION AND USE THEREOF**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants request that the following amendments be made in the above-identified matter prior to examination thereof: